

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An image forming apparatus, comprising:  
an image bearing member having a surface  
layer,  
5 electrostatic image forming means for forming  
an electrostatic image on the surface layer,  
developing means, containing at least toner  
and a carrier, for developing the electrostatic image,  
density measuring means for measuring a  
10 density of the developed electrostatic image,  
layer thickness measuring means for measuring  
a thickness of the surface layer,  
adjusting means for adjusting toner content  
in said developing means,  
15 wherein said adjusting means adjusts the  
toner content on the basis of the thickness of the  
surface layer measured by said layer thickness  
measuring means.
- 20 2. An apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein  
said electrostatic image forming means comprises means  
for electrically charging the surface layer.
- 25 3. An apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein  
said layer thickness measuring means measures the  
thickness of the surface layer by measuring a current  
passing through said image bearing member via said

electrostatic image forming means.

4. An apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein  
the electrostatic image to be formed at the time of  
5 the adjustment is formed in a non-image area of said  
image bearing member and developed by said developing  
means which is supplied with a voltage so that a first  
voltage is applied to the non-image area and a second  
voltage is applied to an image forming area, and  
10 wherein an amount of change in density of the  
developed electrostatic image to an amount of change  
in the toner concentration at the time of applying the  
first voltage is larger than an amount of change in  
density of the developed electrostatic image to an  
15 amount of change in the toner concentration at the  
time of applying the second voltage.

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